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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING NESTHY PETECIO FOR WINNING AN OLYMPIC SILVER MEDAL IN WOMEN'S BOXING AT THE 2020 OLYMPIC **GAMES IN TOKYO, JAPAN**

1 2 3	WHEREAS, on August 03, 2021, Nesthy Petecio won silver in the women's boxing featherweight (54-57kg) at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo to give the Philippines another Olympic medal;
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5	WHEREAS, she has etched another piece of history by becoming the first
6	Filipina boxer to win an Olympic medal;
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8	WHEREAS, she defeated four (4) world-class boxers on the way to Olympic
9	medal victory;
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11	WHEREAS, Nesthy Petecio was born on April 11, 1992 in Davao, Philippines.
12	At a young age, she learned how to box from her father. She started boxing at the
13	age of seven and began competing in 2007 when she was recruited by the Amateur
14	Boxing Association of the Philippines-Calinan boxing team;
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16	WHEREAS, prior to winning her Olympic silver medal, she has also won gold
17	medals at the 2019 Women's World Boxing, and at the 2019 Southeast Asian
18	Games. She is currently ranked number 2 in the women's 57 kg category at the
19	Amateur International Boxing Association's ranking;
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21	WHEREAS, born into poverty, she took up boxing competitively so that she
22	could help her family earn extra income. She chose the sport to be able to help her
23	family and study for free;
24	WHEREAS the almost gave up on her Olympic drapm when the failed to
25 26	WHEREAS, she almost gave up on her Olympic dream when she failed to qualify for the 2016 Rio Olympics and following a defeat in the 2018 Asian Games.
20 27	She has suffered her lowest moment with her depression, making it tough for her to
28	even pull on the gloves;
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1 WHEREAS, despite her status as a tenured boxer representing the country in various competitions, she had her fair share of struggles on the road to the 2020 2 Tokyo Olympics, one that is full of heartbreaks and disappointments from losses, but 3 she continued to press on and fight for her Olympic dreams; 4

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6 WHEREAS, from being born into an impoverished farming family in Santa Cruz, Davao del Sur, where she used to literally fight for food when she would join 7 8 inter-barangay competitions just to feed her family, to winning an Olympic medal, Nesthy Petecio has overcome near-impossible odds and reached the peak of her 9 10 sport:

12 WHEREAS, her never say die attitude resembles the heart of the Filipino people when facing hardships and challenges. Her victory in the Olympics gives us 13 national honor and pride, and serves as a guiding motivation to each and every 14 15 Filipino to succeed despite any adversities that come our way;

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WHEREAS, Nesthy Petecio has brought pride and honor to our country, and 17 the Senate congratulates her for her unparalleled accomplishments; 18

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the 20 Senate of the Philippines, to congratulate and commend Nesthy Petecio for winning 21 22 an Olympics silver medal in women's boxing at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan. 23

Adopted,

MARIA LOURDES MANCY S. BINAY